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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Late, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET & Co., 80, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall

PARIS AND EUROPE :- LEON DE ROSNY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris. NEW YORK:-ANDREW WIND, 133, Nas-

sau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :-- GORDON & GOTOH, Melbourns and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :- BEAR & BLACK, San Fran-SINGAPORE AND STRAITS :- SAYLE &

Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINSZEN & Co., Manila. CHINA:-Macao, Mesars A. A. DE MELLO Fancy Patterns. & Co. Swatow, Campbell & Co. Amoy, WILBON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foodhow, HEDER & Co. Shanghai. LAME, CRAWFORD'& Co., and KRILLY & WALSH. Yokohama, LANE, CHAW-FORD & Co.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAL BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,.....5,000,000 Dollars. BESERVE FUND,.....1,200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-F. D. Sassoon, Esq. Deputy Chairman-W. H. FORBES, Esq. E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. | A. McIVER, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, WILHELM REINERS, W. S. Young, Esq. H. HOPPIUS, Esq. Hon, W. KESWICK,

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong,.....THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER. Shanghai, Ewen Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKERS .- London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED. N Ourrent Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent, per annum on the daily

For Fixed Deposits :-For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. 4 per cent. ;, ;; 5 per cent. ,,

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the

chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, November 26, 1878. ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

Offices of the Corporation,

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

DATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS. 3 months' notice 8% per Annum.

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office. D. A. J. CROMBIE,

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

For Sale.

Acting Manager.

JUST RECEIVED. FROM THE BEST PARIS MANUFACTURERS. PAPETERIS DE LUXE, HAUTE NOUVEAUTE. An Assortment of .

ADIES' STATIONERY VARIOUS TINTS, NEWEST FRENCH AND ITALIAN SHAPES, And of the Finest Quality. - Also-

COUNTING HOUSE STATIONERY, Comprising: Commercial Letter and Note Paper.

Samples and List of Prices can be obtain. ED. CHASTEL Queen's Road Central.

Opposite the Clock Tower. Hongkong, January 3, 1879.

NOTICE. TO CAPTAINS REQUIRING SEA STOCK,

BEEF! BEEF! Bhip "Commissary." 24 Tierces PRIME INDIA MESS
BEEF, For Sale by private bargain on the above Ship. Prices Moderate. Hongkong, Denember 24, 1878.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

LINE NEW FIGS, direct from Smyrna. Brazil and Barcelona NUTS. LETTS'S DIARIES for 1879. Central and Pin Fire CARTRIDGE

CASES. CLOTH and FELT GUN-WADS. American PARLOUR and COOKING

FENDERS and FIRE IRONS. COCOA MATTING. TAPESTRY CARPET.

California LAMBSWOOL BLANKET WHITNEY BLANKETS.

TABLE LINEN. Fine TURKISH TOWELS.

LINEN SHEETING. PILLOW GREEN and MARONE REP.

FANOY FLANNEL for Gents'. Suits. NAVY BLUE SERGE. CLOTH TROWSER LENGTHS, Assorted Patterns.

ALBUMS, in great variety. ORUMB BRUSHES and TRAYS. CHUBB'S CASH and DEED BOXES. MACHINES.

COFFEE ROASTERS. TREMBLING CALL BELLS. IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH.

FAST SERVICES. TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description.

FOLDING CHAIRS. CIGARS, CIGARETTES. KELLY'S FAMOUS CUT TOBACCOS.

CAUSTIC SODA, CANADIAN POTASH. CARBOLIC ACID. CHLORYDE OF

LIME. &c., &c., &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO. Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

H I N STULTZ, HAS FOR SALE-

NEW PATTERNS in CARPETS. WINDOW CURTAINS of all kinds. TABLE CLOTHS & TABLE NAPKINS. HATS IN EVERY STYLE. DRESS BOOTS, and SHOES.

88 and 90, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, December 11, 1878.

FIRE.-SELLING OFF!

CAM HING STULTZ will SELL OFF HIS STOCK, more or less damaged by the late Fire, at Greatly Reduced Prices during the month

Intimations.

NOTICE.

ELECTRO-PLATE, &c., &c., Considerably under the Usual Prices.

Just Arrived from England, an Elegant ASSORTMENT of SILVER OUPS, suitable

Hongkong, November 26, 1878. fel

the Great Fire of December 25-26, 1878, TWO WATER COLORS, by HERBERT (1854), representing "GREENWICH" and TT is hereby notified that Probate of the

Hongkong, January 4, 1879. SUBMARINE DIVING.

CAPTAIN. W. OLARK has all the Ne-Cossary Appliances for Salving OPERATIONS, and is prepared to undertake

of 20 Fathoms For particulars as to terrils, &d., apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

For Sale.

ORES -AND-

DLUM PUDDINGS. CHRISTMAS CAKES. MINCEMEAT. SMYRNA FIGS. ELVAS PLUMS.

CRYSTALLISED FRUITS. DRAGEES. French and English BONBONS. CHOCOLATE for DESSERT. ASSORTED COSAQUES, TELEPHONE CRACKERS.

CONFERENCE CRACKERS

AQUARIUM CRACKERS. French and English TOYS. MECHANICAL TOYS. DOLLS, in latest Parisian Costumes. SWIMMING DOLLS.

DOLLS' PORTMANTEAUX. DANCING and WALKING DOLLS. PUNCH and JUDY SHOW. ROCKING HORSES.

MUSICAL BOXES. TEA and DINNER SETS. NOAH'S ARKS. WHEELBARROWS. GUNS and SWORDS. SPADES and PAILS. BARREL ORGANS. French ALBUMS.

LADIES' DRESSING CASES. GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF BOXES. WORK BASKETS and BOXES LADIES' COMPANIONS. PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES. CARD RECEIVERS.

STATUETTES. Bohemian FLOWER VASES. Pharoah WRITING CABINETS. SCENT CASES in Velvet and Crystal. RUSSIA POCKET BOOKS. MOROCCO CIGAR CASES.

Electro-Plated SCISSORS in Cases. BIBLES. PAINT BOXES, Fitted. TOILET BOTTLES and VASES. ANEROIDS. OROCODILE SCENT CASES.

CIGAR BOXES. WRITING DESKS. MEERSCHAUM PIPES. LATEST DESIGNS in Electro-Plated WARE. MARK TWAIN'S SCRAP BOOKS. PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

Intimations.

JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

46, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, December 20, 1878.

MOORE & Co., OVARIETY STORE, NEWS AGENTS AND TOBACCONISTS. No. 42, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, September 10, 1878. HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

COODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co., Proprietors: Hongkong, November 29, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE. TR. ROGERS has Returned and

Now Ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS at No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD. Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

NOTICE.

TN Consequence of the Fire, NAM HING LOONG has REMOVED to No. 6, STANLEY STREET, where Business will be Conducted as usual. Hongkong, December 28, 1878.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

JOAO JOAQUIM DOS REMEDIOS, Deceased.

last Will and Testament of JOAO A Liberal Reward will be paid on Return JOAQUIM DOS REMEDIOS, Deceased, was Granted to the Undersigned on the 25th day of November, 1878. (Signed) J. H. Dos REMEDIOS.

D. A. DOS REMEDIOS. M. C. DO ROZARIO. A. A. DOS REMEDIOS. Hongkong, December 14, 1878.

SAILOR'S HOME.

NY Cast-off Chorning, Books, or PAPERN will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point. Hengkong, July 25, 1878.

DECORATOR,

Temporary Premises : Fletcher's Buildings, Behind R. N. Seaman's Club, HONGKONG.

December 28, 1878.

WONG CHIU. PHOTOGRAPHER,

No. 84, Queen's Road, Hongkong. (Opposite the P. & O. Co.)

CHINESE VIEWS FOR SALE AT MODERATE PRICE.

OFFICE OF THE CHINESE INSUR-ANCE CO., LIMITED.

& Co. having Suspended Payment, the Board of Directors of the above Company, at a SPECIAL MEETING held at the Head Office TO-DAY, the 9th Instant, Appointed Mr J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent, pro tem, by whom all Business of the said Company will be transacted.

Directors with Reference to the Appointment of Mr J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent of the Company, an Extraordinary MEETING of the SHARE. HOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 13th January, 1879, at 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon, when an audited Statement of the Affairs of the Company will be submitted. By Order of the Board.

NOTICE.

DR EASTLACKE will receive his Patients at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, Queen's Road Central, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Bongkong, September 28, 1878.

Le begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &co., from 1st October, and triists that they may grant him their support. Shop - Weltington Street, opposite

the Cathedral. Hongkong, September 20, 1879,

Intimations.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

middle of FEBRUARY next.

W. M. B. ARTHUR, Hon. Secretary.

at an early date.

is This Day REMOVED to No. 39, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

pro tem. Hongkong, December 30, 1878.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs BirLEY & Co. to sell by Public Auction, by Order of the Mortgagees, on or about the 20th January, 1879, the 1st Class

IRON SOREW STEAMSHIP "AMERIUA,"

by Messra, J. and R. Swan, of Dumbarton, and Engined by Messrs. Ton and McGREGOR, of Glasgow, with Compound Vertical Direct-Acting Surface-Condensing Engines of 90 Horse-Power (nominal), working up to 450 H.-P. effectual; Consumption of Coal (Cardiff), about 8 Tons; before the 10th January, 1879. Speed, about 8 Knots; Capacity of Bunkers, 180 Tons; Diameter of Cylinders, 25 and 48 inches; Boiler Multitubular; Length 210 feet 3 in.; Breadth, extreme, 26 feet 7 in.; Depth of Hold, Tonnage Deck to Ceiling, 20 feet 91 in.; Spar Deck, Deck to Deck, 6 feet 7 in.; Draft, light, 9 feet.; loaded, 17 feet.; D. W. Capacity, including Bunkers, 1,100 Tons, or 16,500 Piculs exclusive of Bunkers; Class. Lloyds 90 A1; Water Ballast; Tween Decks laid; 3 Steam Vinches, and HARFIELD's Patent Windlass; Saloon amidships for 10 Cabin Passengers and Cabin aft. for 3. Boilers retubed in Hongkong in June, and the

SOLD SEPARATELY. For further Particulars, apply Messrs. Birley & Co., or the Auction.

TERMS OF SALE.—Half Cash on fall o the hammer. The Balance on completion of Transfer, expenses of which are to be borne by the Purchaser. The Ship and Inventory, with all faults and errors of description, to be at the Purchaser's risk

Auctioneers. Hongkong, November 18, 1878. ja20

shipping.

FOR MANILA. "BUTUAN," POSTPONED to THURS

DAY, the 9th Inst., at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 7, 1879. NOTICE.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Company's Steamship

MARITIMES.

L. HENNEQUIN. Actg. Agenti Bougkong, January 7, 1879.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship shortly after the arrival of the next French Mall from Europs.

L HENNEQUIN.

Steamers. FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE,

FOR NEW ZEALAND.) The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BOWEN," Captain MILLER, will be de-

COAL SOUTTLES, new designs.

DOOR MATS.

REP and other TABLE COVERS,

FLANNEL SHIRTINGS.

VEYBON'S AUTOMATIC COFFEE

DESSERT, DINNER and BREAK-

HOUSEHOLD STORES, of every Description, OLARET in Casks. MALT. HOPS.

HAS JUST RECEIVED PER "CYPHRENES,"

DESTRUCTION BY THE GREAT

of JANUARY. Hongkong, December 31, 1878. ja81

FALCONER & Co. beg to an-G. FALCONER & Co. beg to and JANUARY Next, they will offer their Large and Magnificent Stock of JEWELLERY, WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVER and

for REGATTA OF RACE MEETINGS.

TN REMOVING to Messas MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.'s Premises, during

of the above. WILLIAM DOLAN.

Contrasts to work at Wrecks to the Depth

latimations.

W. KERR TAYLOR, HOUSE AND SHIP PAINTER, GLASS EMBOSSING AND GILDING.

December 11, 1878.

NTOTICE is hereby given, that in consequence of Messers OLYPHANT

To Confirm the Action of the Board of

WM. REINERS, Chairman. Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

TAROM the 1st of October,

HUTCHINGS

THE ANNUAL EXHIBITION of the SOCIETY will take place about the (TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS The Days of Exhibition will be advertized

Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

NOTICE. THE Head Office of the CHINESE IN. SURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,

> J. BRADLEE SMITH, General Agent,

of 563 Tons Net Register, Built in 1873

Hull and Machinery now in first-class Spare Engine Gear and Coal to be

EERS, where Inventory and Plan of the Vessel can be seen.

at fall of the hammer. HUGHES & LEGGE,

Steamers.

The Departure of the S. 8 Captain Themoya, has been

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

Commandant Lormiter, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

NOTICE.

Commandant Da Girard, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA

Actg. Agent. Hongkong, January 7, 1879,

shipping.

spatched as above on THURSDAY, the

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents,

9th Inst., at 2 p.m.

Hongkong, January 6, 1879, 1879 ja9

Sailing Vessels. FOR MELBOURNE & DUNEDIN (N.Z.) The British Barque " HOTSPUR." Capt. Shaw, will have a quiez despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

Hongkong, November 11, 1878.

For Freight, &c., apply to

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Spanish Schooner "NUEVO CONSTANTE," UBIABIE, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

REMEDIOS & Co. Sangkong, January 7, 1879. FOR LONDON. The 3/3 L. 1. 1. Swedish Bark ALMA Captain O. Ohlsson, will be despatched as above on or

MEYER & Co. Rongkong, December 12, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "J. H. INGERSOLL." Captain Dow, will load here for the above Port, and will

For Freight, apply to

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 30, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Ship "MIN-Y-DON." Captain LESLIE, will load here for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

have quick despatch.

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

will have quick despatch.

Hongkong, November 26, 1878. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 German Bark "MANILA II,"

RUSSELL & Co.

engaged, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about the 5th January. For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

GONNER, Master, having the

greater portion of her Cargo

Hongkong, December 16, 1878, FOR HAMBURG. The 3/3 L. 1. L. German Bark "CONDOR." -" STEFFENS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, December 13, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The American Ship "FLEETWING." GUEST, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will

VOGEL & O. Hongkong, December 3, 1878. FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark

D. THOMAS, Master, will load

here for the above Port, and

"MERCURY,"

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hougkong, December 3, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship

"MELROSE," PLUMER, Masto, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, December 2, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

NOTIOE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY OF Mr WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from This Date.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1879. NOTICE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP Co.

TR. J. J. HOWARD is hereby authorized to Sign Bills of Lading by the Company's Steamers.

RUSSELL & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

NOTICE. HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT and AUDITOR. THOS. ARNOLD.

16, Bank Buildings, Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE BUSINESS hitherto Conducted SATURDAY EVENING, , by us at this Port, CANTON and SHANGHAI will be CONTINUED from This Date under the Style and Title of VOGEL & Co.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

HAVE This Day Established myself Dress Circle or Orchestra at this Port and at CANTON BS MER-CHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Firm or Style of PUSTAU

T. I. E. VON PUSTAU. Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

NOTIOE.

HAVE This Day Established myself as a COMMISSION MERCHANT, &c., at No. 2, Queen's Road, under the Style of "J. G. SMITH & Co."

J. GRANT SMITH. Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr OTTO BENECKE in our Firm CEASED on Blat December, 1878. CARLOWITZ & Co.

Canton, Hongkong | January 1, 1879. fel and Shanghai,

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of JOHN GRANT SMITH and WIL-LIAM DOLAN in our Firm CEASED on the 31st day of December, 1878.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. Dated this 31st day of December, 1878. 44

NOTICE. TATE have Established a BRANCH of

our Firm at SHANGHAL. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, December 31, 1878.

NOTICE.

Have This Day RESUMED my BUSI-NESS as MARINE SURVEYOR at this Port.

R. H. CAIRNS, Surveyor to Local Insurance Offices and

Lloyd's Register of Shipping. Club Chambers,

Hongkong, December 21, 1878.

NOTICE. HAVE This Day established myself as GENERAL and SHARE BROKER. CARL DENEKE,

Office, Bank Buildings,

Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to CLOSE his Firm at Swatow, hereby notifies that all DEBTS and CLAIMS due to or by him, he will Collect and Pay. The Interest and Good will of his Business has been transferred to Mesers DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

E. VINCENT. Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

NTOTICE is hereby given, that Messra DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. have This Day Established a BRANCH of their Firm at Swatow, and have authorized Mr G. D. PITMAN to Sign per Procuration. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

1111 Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 学日報 (Wah Tozo Yat Po), TRANSID from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN. Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

TN Reference to the above, the Undereigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr Leone Yook Chun. as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excollent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole stication to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG OHIM, Lesses of the Hongkong Chinese Mail. Monghong, April 6, 1878,

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

SATURDAY EVENING, January 11th, 1879.

> LAST APPEARANCE COMPANY IN HONGKONG.

A CARD. THE LADIES OF THE OPERA

COMPANY Beg to announce that they will take their FIRST BENEFIT.

in Hongkong on the above date. When will be produced for the LAST TIME .Offenbach's most successful Opera Bouffe

GENEVIEVE DE BRABANT. in Four Acts and Three Tableaux.

LAST APPEARANCE OPERA COMPANY.

January 11th, 1879. THE LADIES' BENEFIT.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at Messra Lane, Crawford & Co.'s, where a Plan of the Theatre may be seen.

PRICES OF ADMISSION Stalls Two Dollars.

Pit ONE DOLLAR. Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen cannot be admitted. Hongkong, January 8, 1879.

intimations.

CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC!

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE.

TATHEREAS it having become known to the Proprietors of DR BRIGHT's PHOSPHODYNE that a worthless imitation, bearing a similar name, is exported to India, China, &c., and endeavoured to be foisted on purchasers as equal in efficacy to Dr Bright's Phosphodyne, they feel it due to the public to specially caution them against this compound and request their most careful attention to the following distinctive characteristics of Dr Bright's (the only genuine ist.—That Dr Bright's Phosphodyne is sold

only in cases. 2nd,-The words "Dr Bright's Phosphodyne" are clearly blown in each bottle. 3rd.—The Registered Trade Mark and Signature of Patentee are printed on

the label of every case. 4th.-Directions for use in all the following languages are enclosed in each case-French, German, Italian, Dutch Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Danish Turkish, Persian, Hindostani, Madrasse,

Bengales, Chinese, and Japanese. Without which none can POSSIBLY be Genuine.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE

Is the Only Reliable Remedy for NERVOUS AND LIVER COMPLAINTS AND ALE

FUNCTIONAL DERANGEMENTS. . * DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is patronised by the Aristocracy and the Elite. extensively used in the Army and Navy, and strongly recommended by the leading Medical Practitioners.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE Is sold by all Chemists and Patent Medicine

Vendors throughout the Globe. In India, China, &c., DR. BRIGHT'S PHOS PHODYNE is generally sold at an advance on the English Price.

The high Estimation in which PROSPHORDS is held is unquestionably due to its administration, in this form. Therefore

ASK FOR DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE And do not be persuaded to take any

Useless and Possibly Dangerous Imitation.

CAUTION TO MEDICINE VENDORS.

The Trade Mark, Label, &c., of DR BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE are duly entered

at Stationers' Hall, London, and are also registered in the Chief Cities of the World. Chemists and Druggists are hereby warned that legal proceedings will be immediately instituted by the Authorised Agents, against any person or persons selling Fraudulent Imitations of DR. BRIGHT'S (the only genuine) PHOS. PHODYNE, from this date, 1st October, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crow of the tollowing . Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour :---

FORTENAYE, British ship, Capt. Geo. B. the 29th Instant. Taylor,-Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Commissant, British ship, Captain A.

Morison, -Meyer & Co. FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M. Gouyo. - Landstein & Co.

Napies, British barque, Capt. W. L. Bryar. -- Measageries Maritimes. TAIWAN, German barque, Captain C. Jesasn, -Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

S. R. BEARde, American barque, Capti A. E. Oakes, -Russell & Co. PHATTON, British barque, Captain H Beheel - Wieler & Co.

Cinclaine, British barque, Captain John Le Couter, -Jardine, Matheson & Co. PRINCE ARTHUR, British barque, Capt. R. Wills. - Chinese,

MATO OF JUDAN, British barque, Capt. Alfred W. Webb.-Rozarlo & Co. DAVINA, British barque, Captain Geo. Boott.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. LAUREL, British barque, Captain W. H. Johnson, -Gibb, Livingston & Co. Synenical, British ship, Capt. T. Millet.

Vogel & Co.

Notices to Consignees

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Japan, Captain T. S. GARDNER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, January 7, 1879.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE NORWEGIAN BARQUE STAUT,

FROM ANTWERP.

THE above named Vessel having arrived Consigness of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take

immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. MEYER & Co.,

Hongkong, January 6, 1879.

for ONE NIGHT ONLY. BRITISH SHIP SYDENHAM, FROM --- LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived, . Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

VOGEL & Co,

Agents. Hongkong, January 6, 1879. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES, NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery, This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. L. RENNEQUIN,

Actg. Agent. Ex " Pei Ho." N-M K (in diamond) 54/5 Imp. Aldridge V S C Salmon & Co., from London, 2 cases

Ex "Iraouaddy."

(in diamond) No. 1/3, Messrs Gilman & Co., 3 cases Granite, from London. Hongkong, January 3, 1879.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "DOUGLAS,"
Captain Young, will be de-

spatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 12th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 8, 1879.

NOTIOE.

TIENDERS for the REPAIRS to the British Ship "SYDENHAM," R. T. MILLER, Master, will be Received at the Office of the Undersigned up to 3 p.m., on MONDAY, the 13th Instant.

Separate Tenders are requested for-Blacksmith's Work. 2. Docking, Scraping and Painting Ship's

For Particulars apply to the Master on Board. The Undersigned do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender. VOGEL & Co.,

Hongkong, January 8, 1879. THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

HE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be Held at the HONGRONG HOTEL, on WEDNES. DAY, the 29th Instant, at 4 o'Clock p.m. for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors. By Order of the Board of Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD. Secretary. Hongkong, January 8, 1879

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITED. NOTICE,

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be OLOSED from the 18th to By Order of the Board of Directors, LOUIS HAUSOHILD.

Sebretary. Hongkong, January 8, 1879.

NOTICE. OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,

in Liquidation. BEVENTH RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TARLS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 6th January, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on WEDand 250 Chinese.

NESDAY, the 16th January. Wagrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, or presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be ULOSED from the 8th to the 18th January, inclusive

By Order, PUSSELL & Co.,

Shanghal January 4, 1979,

To-day's Advertisements.



THONGKONG VOLUNTEERS. PARADES AND DRILLS PRESENT QUARTER,

ORDERLY ROOM, 7th January, 1879. MONDAY .- MUZZLE-LOADING GUN DRILL, North Barracks. TUESDAY .- INSPECTION, COMPANY DRILL,

on the Volunteer Parade Ground. FRIDAY .- FIELD GUN DRILL, North Barracks. The above Drills will take place at 5.15

Members Nor Dismissed Muzzle-Loading Gun Drill will please attend this course, which will commence on MONDAY, the 18th instant. Drill for RECRUITS SVERY MONDAY and

WEDNESDAY on the Volunteer Parade

Ground-Squad Drill and Rifle Exercise. The SEVEN-POUNDER GUN DETACEMENT will shortly proceed to Stanley for Shell Practice; the day to be hereafter fixed. At all future Fires in the Town, the Corps will assemble (except members of the Fire Brigades) at the Orderly Room, and be marched to the scene of the Fire and placed under the orders of the Civil Authorities, and posted as Sentries for the Protection of Public and Private Property

A. COXON. Captain-Commandant H. K. V. PUBLIC AUCTION.

AMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions from

Mesers Melchers & Co., Agents of the British Ship "Connaught Ranger." to sell by Public Auction, TURDAY

ja13 the 11th January, 1879, at 11 o'clock a.m., at Messrs Landstein & Co.'s Go-11.30 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters downs, Wanchai,-(For account of whom it may concern,) Ex Connaught Ranger,

J. B. & C., 200 cases Swedish SAFETY MATCHES. W., 1/100, 100 cases Swedish SAFE-TY MATCHES,

M. & C., 1/100, 100 cases Swedish SA-FETY MATCHES. W. H. (in diam.), 11872/12086, 214 cases Swedish SAFETY MATCHES Do. (in diam.), 12087/12171, 85 cases Swedish SAFETY MATCHES

G, 570/732, 163 cases Bryant & May's FRIDAY, January 10:-SAFETY MATCHES. More or less damaged by esa water.) TERMs-Cash before delivery.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUS-TRALIA, AND CHINA. CAPITAL,£800.000

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THE CITY BANK. THKNATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

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ON FIXED DEPOSITS. For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. 4 per cent. , 12 , 5 per cent.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 7, Diamants, British steamer, 514, E. Thebaud, Amoy Jan. 6, General. -RUSSELL & Co. Jan. 8, Sindh, French steamer, 2108, Monge, Shanghai Jan. 5, Mails and Genoral. - MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. Jan. 8, Flintshire, British steamer, 1243, Thomas, Shanghai Jan. 4, General.-

Jan. 8, Friedrich, German barque, 672, Ulderup, Cardiff Aug. 19, Coal.-MEYER DEPARTURES. . Clive, for Saigon. Carisbrooke, for Swatow. 8. Yesso, for Coast Ports. 8, Albay, for Amoy.

8. Hector, for Shanghal.

8. Diamante, for Manila.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

CLEARED. Manila II., for San Francisco. Madeline, for Saigon. Napier, for Callao. Taman, for Chefoo. Lulu, for Foodhow. Tay West, for Quinhon. Melross, for New York, Hwai Yuen, for Amoy. Hotspur, for Melbourne,

PASSENGERS,

ARRIVED. Por Diamante, from Amoy, Mr J. C. Wardlaw, and 100 Chinese dock. Per Sindh, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Messes H. B. Gibb and servant, Kivanagh, Brandt and servant, Baux, and Woolf, and 83 Chinese; for Naples, Mr Prato ; for Marseilles, Mesars Richard and

DEPARTED. Per Achilles, for London, Dr. Gault, 8 children and nurse, Mr and Miss Scholefield, Miss Roberts, Mrs Halse, and 8 i istressed Seamen; for Singapore, Mr. S. J. Elder,

Per Hector, for Shanghai, Mr and Mrs Burr, Mrs and Miss Shaw, and Mr Nelson, Per Yesso, for Swatow, Mrs Williams, and Mr Haeslop. Per Olive, for Salgon, 300 Chinese. Per Carisbrooks, for Swatow, 80 Chinese.

shipping reports. The British steamer Diamanis reports Fine weather and light Northerly winds ica throughout,

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-FOR AMOY AND SHANGHAL-Per Hwai Yuen, at 9.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 9th inst.

FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.-Per Bowen, at 1.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 9th inst. (Private ship rates.)

For NEW-YORK .-Per ship Melrose, at 3 p.m. To-morrow, the 9th inst.

For MANILA .-Per Butuan, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 9th Inst. For HAIPHONG AND HUE (via CANTON AND MACAO).-

Per H.C.M.S.S. Marques del Duero, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 10th inst. For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW .---Per Douglas, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the | directly concerned in the shipping trade 11th inst.

For SAIGON .--Per Quarta, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet Sindh will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 11th January, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Naples; to Salgon, Stratts Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Cey'on, bay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET .-The British Contract Packet Mongolia will be despatched on SATURDAY the 18th January, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe vid Brindisi or Southampton to the Straits Settlements, Batavia Burmab, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET The United States Mail Packet City of DAY, the 16th inst., with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as fol-11.15 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases

until the time of departure. MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

(except for Non-Union Countries) may

be posted on board the Packet with

Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage

Shipping. 2 p.m. -Bowen leaves for Port Darwin Cooktown, do. -

4 p.m. - Butuan leaves for Manila. General Memoranda.

Alma leaves for London on or before this date. SATURDAY, January 11 :--

11 a.m. -Sale of Safety Matches, at

Messra Landstein & Co.'s Godowns, Wanchai. Noon,-French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Opera Bouffe at the City Hall,

SUNDAY, January 12:-

Daylight .- Douglasleaves for Coast Ports. Monday, January 13:-3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Chinese Insurance Co., Limited, at the Head Office, Hongkong. Tenders for Repairs of the Ship Sydenham,

will be received at the office of the

Agents up to 3 p.m. WEDNESDAY, January 15:-Transfer Books of Hongkong Hotel Co. Limited, closed from this date to 29th

Instant. THURSDAY, January 16 :-Noon.-American Mail leaves for Yoko

hama and San Francisco. SATURDAY, January 18:-Noon.-English Mail leaves for Ports

of Call and Europe. HONGKONG DISPENSARY

A. S. WATSON & Co., FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMIST WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876,

R. RADECKER, of a Daughter.

The publication of this issue commenced. at 8.10 p.m.

At Hongkong, on the 7th January, Mrs

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 8, 1879,

In another column we publish a petition, on the subject of Sunday Labour, which is now being circulated for signature, and which will, in due course, be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor. It is to be hoped that the document will regaive numerous and influential signatures. The petitioners ask nothing unreasonable, and, so far as we can see, nothing that could not be properly and wisely granted by the Government. They pray His Excellency the Governor "to give to the existing law on the subject of Sunday observance that enforcement in this Oplony which is recognised in the mother

lency puts a stop to all labour such as that in building operations, manufactures, business establishments, and the loading and unloading of vessels, on Sundays, not only would the European community recognise the step as a public benefit, but ultimately the native community as well, both the employers and the employed. There is no sound reason whatever why either Chinese or foreigners should not cease work on the seventh

Let us take the case of foreigners first.

It may be argued that if the loading and unloading of vessels in the harbour are prohibited on Sundays that the shipowners will suffer considerable loss, and that trade will be delayed. This appears to be the only argument that can be advanced in favour of seamen, and people of this port, being compelled to labour on Sundays. To us it appears to be no argument at all in view of parallel circumstances around us. The ship-owner would not lose more by the cossation of labour on board his vessel on Sandays, while they are in port, than does the manufacturer who closes his workshop on Sundays, or the store-keeper who closes his store. As a matter of fact Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bom- neither the manufacturer or the storekeeper is worse off financially for giving themselves and their employes one day's rest in the week. Were only a portion of them to close on Sundays the case might be different, but while all of them are compelled to come to a stand still on one particular day, any loss to employers arising from the twenty-four hours' rest must be purely imaginary, for reasons which there is no need for us to explain. It may be that, as the shortening of the Tokio, will be despatched on THURS. hours of labour possibly lessens production, mankind generally loses by days of rest, but certainly employers of labour are not more out of pocket by the idleness of Sundays than are their

employès. The argument will apply equally to the Chinese. It is nonsense to argue thatif Chinese be prohibited from working on Sundays that a hardship will be inflioted upon contractors and others. We believe that if these people properly understood the matter they would welcome the introduction of one day's rest in the seven as much as their employes. If Sunday labour were suddenly prohibited here it might be that contractors, but not shop-keepers or merchants, would experience a little diminution of their profits under existing contracts, through a longer time being required for their completion, but we have sufficient confidence in the keenness of the Chinese contractor to believe that he would take very good care that due allowance was made for s ' days' labour per week, instead of seven, in the next contract into which he entered. He, as well as his men, would also reap the physical and moral benefit the rest on Sundays would afford him. Religion need not be brought into the question at all. As Government has legislated for certain Bank holidays, so can it legislate for one day's rest in the seven. It has legislated for the stopping of business and labour at home on Sundays, and there is no good reason why it cannot do the same in this Colony, especially as we have shown it would confer a benefit on, all, and inflict hardship on no one. Probably the bulk of the foreign community here would be inclined to support the cessation of labour more strongly on civil than on religious grounds. We hold that one day's rest in seven is right and proper for the health and enjoyment of man. This is the idea of civilised nations, and, as this Colony is owned and governed by civilised nation, we can see no valid objection to western views being carried out here. Chinese come to Hongkong, or ought to do so, with the understanding that they are treading on British soil, and must conform to British laws and regulations, providing their consciences are not offended. If they object to these rules and regulations they are free to depart, although, as we have previously intimated, we have yet to learn that the Chinese would, if they understood the matter, object to one day's rest in the seven. We should not like to advocate the cessation of labour on Sundays on religious grounds. If we did so, we should have to take our stand on the Ten Commandments, which distinctly lay down that we shall do no work on Sunday, nor permit our servants to do so, nor the stranger that is within our gates. This command was subsequently modified into one not to do other work than it absolutely necessary; but if half the people who used their chairs on Sundays came to us and said that they thus worked their servants, and the strangers within their gates, on Sundays because

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

they could not walk to places where it

not believe them.

was necessary for them to go, we should

[Supplied to the " China Mail."]

St. Petersburge, 7th Jan. 1879. Chung How will present his credentiald

(Per B. B. A. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

else "turning up" to prevent the deremony; -Ed. C. M.

Tite semi-official Journal di Bi. Peterli bourg says that the war, which increased the paper surrency by 500,000,000 uncountry, so far as may be found practice covered notes, has added 60,000,000 roubles able." We believe that, if His Excel- to annual interest on the National Dabi;

fin full dress-Ed. C. M on the 22nd instant. [Weather permitting and nothing

THE farewell performance of the Opera Company has been pestponed until Satur-

THE outward French Mall passed Cape St. James, en route for this port, at 6.15 this evening.

Ms. Alfred May is now gazetted as the Acting Third Master at the Central School from the 1st January.

hearing at the Supreme Court to-morrow. There are nine prisoners.

IT is satisfactory to note that official orders have been issued concerning the part to be taken by the Hongkong Volunteers during a fire in the Colony.

case of Kwok Yu Chune v. J. P. N. da Silva, is to be applied for, on the ground that defendant was absent from the Court yesterday through a misunderstanding.

FROM a comparative statement from the Collector of Stamp Revenue for the years 1877 and 1878, published in the Gazette, it seems that the total collection in 1878 was \$128,519 against \$118,539 in 1877, being an increase during 1878 of \$9,980.

Among the notifications in the Gazette is one stating that Mr H. S. Loring has been recognised, provisionally and until further notice, as in charge of the Peruvian Consulate at this port; and another stating that Mr Justice Russell has reported his return to the Colony and resumed his duties as Acting Puisne Judge.

The Government Gazette published to-day contains translations into Chinese, for the information of the Chinese portion of the community, of some of the Government notifications. His Excellency is evidently endeavouring to spread a knowledge of the English-and, in this Colony, the officiallanguage among the natives.

THE cases at the Police Court continue to be of an uninteresting nature, and it is well this is the case. It at least shews plainly that the late scare—the Wing Lok Street scare—has had its good as well as its bad points. Henry Tremaine, the second mate of the American ship Invincible, was charged with being a deserter from the Royal Artillery. Otherwise there were no cases of interest.

Ir is notified in the Gazette that in accordance with "The Rating Ordinance, 1875," His Excellency the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, has fixed the Police Rate for the Year 1879, at Six-and-three-quarters per cent for Houses in the City of Victoria, and at Five per Europeans to work more or less upon the cent for Houses in British Kowloon and Sunday, to load and unload steamers and the outlying Villages of the Colony; and the Lightning Rate at One-and-a-quarter per cent, the Fire Brigade Rate at One-half per cent, and the Water Rate at One-and-ahalf per cent per annum, for Houses in the City of Victoria.

In the Supreme Court to-day the Hon, the Acting Chief Justice gave judgment, in the case of John Penman and another v. Smith and others, in favour of the plaintiffs. Penman (an engineer) and Bishop (a fireman) were on the articles of the steamer Commonwealth, but had been discharged by the Shipping Master here on medical certificate, they being unable to proceed In the steamer when she left this port for Japan. On the steamer returning to this port, plaintiffs tendered their services, to day in the plaintiffs' favour, his Lordship physical, which undoubtedly is one of the said that, according to his reading of the Merchant Shipping Act, defendants were liable. He thought that the Shipping Master ought to have gone to the Hospital and discharged the plaintiffs in their presence. It was a case which he would be very glad to see re-heard on Sir John Smale's arrival.

This decision is a most important one, as reversing the practice followed here for the last quarter of a century. Seamen have regularly been discharged by higher than a day of mere rest and recrea-Mr Lording or his predecessors in this way, expense, It is presumed, however, that the Shipping Master will be compelled to consult the Board of Trade on a matter of such great importance, if his procedure for the last twenty years has been all upon

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE. At the forencen service in the Union Church on Sunday last, the Rev. J. C. Edge (of the London Missionary Society) thus remarked upon the Sunday Observance

movement :--

Before we conclude our service this morning I wish to bring before your notice a petition to His Excellency the Governor which will shortly be circulated for signature. It refers to the observance of Sunday in this Colony; and I have seldom signed a petition with so much pleasure as I have on this occasion. It is an attempt to gain for every man in this Colony one day's rest

in seven. We may have different views as to the sanctity of the Sunday; but I feel THE High Street murder case comes on for confident nearly all will agree with the prayer of this petition, that the Governor of Hongkong should do all in his power to discourage Sunday labour in this place. We plead for the Europeans in this place. I contend that it is a crime to deprive a man of his Sunday's rest if it can be possibly avoided. Moreover we ask that the Chinese here may be able to see that Sunday labour is not an English Institution, and that we all believe in Sunday as a day granted by the WE are informed that a new hearing of the Giver of all Good as a day for rest, and for should be imposed upon any one. We carefully avoid in our memorial all religious discussions. But we are earnestly anxious that our Sailors in Hongkong should be at liberty on this one day of the week; and we are equally anxious that the employees of mercantile houses should have the opportunity at least of worshipping the Lord's house on the Lord's Day. We consider that building operations and other works might safely be sus pended for one day in seven. word, we claim that in this place, and inevery place over which the British flag flies, the Sunday rest is the inalienable right of men. I will not read the petition now, but you will shortly have an opportunity of signing it, and I trust that every member. of this congregation will feel it to be his

> SUNDAY LABOUR IN HONGKONG. The following petition is now lying for signature at Messra, Lane, Crawford & Co. and other places :-

and her business to help us forward in the

work we have undertaken.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN POPE HENNESSY, Companion of the Most Vistinguished Order Saint Michael and Saint George, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies and Vice-Admiral of the same.

The Memorial and Humble Petition of the Undersigned Clergy and Laity of Hongkong.

That your Memorialists heartily concur in the statements and representations put forward by the Reverend the coting Colonial Chaplain in his letter to Your Excellency in Council dated the 14th May last and published in the Hongkong Government Gazette of the 14th September last.

That your Memorialists have with great pleasure read Your Excellency's reply to your readiness to take the whole question into serious consideration.

Your Memorialists have long observed that there is absolutely no cessation from labour among the Chinese Merchants and Traders and that the active competition in which they now engage with Europeans almost renders it a matter of necessity for dise from their godowns,

Your Memorialists beg to point out that this compulsory Sunday labour falls most heavily upon that portion of the European population standing most in need of the rest and repose of the Sunday, that is to say, upon the haid-worked Seamen and subordinate Officers of the ships and steamers in port, and upon the inferior Clerks, Godown-keepers and What fingers on abore, whose daily work during the week is sufficiently onerous and trying and who really need the relaxation and mental and bodily invigoration which the Sunday's cessation from toll would recure.

of rest.

Your Memorialists need hardly remind Your Excellency that this Sunday labour of which they complain, knows no certation. Building operations, ships doshing and repairs, the loading and unloading versels, buying and selling, hawking, carousing in open taverns, all the varied noises of a busy Port, go on incessantly during the hours of Divine Service, and indeed all day long.

For the sake of those, therefore, among the inhabitants of the Colony who value the Suiday so something more, sumothing tion, Your Methorialists pray for stoppage of all donesessary labour on the Sunday i but they also petition must carnestly on behalf of those, whether Christian or not, whose strenuous labours during the week rouder the Sunday's fest indispensable for their motal and physical welfare. The Chinese themselves stand in need of this day of rest. Economical science has clearly shown that, considered merely as a civil institution, this day relaxation and refreshment is of admirable service to the State and to its subjects.

other hose were producing but little effect. mitted against property, with violence, new legislation is needed, that the Statute There was, as we have said, but little amount to 4,066, being an increase of 431 or 10 29th of Charles II, Chapter 7, is in force in merchandise in the front godown; and percent, Theoffences against property, withthis Cel by and is binding upon and is mearly all of it was got into the street and out violence, numbered 60,598, being 1,222 of serial by the inhabitants in various to saved from destruction. Mr Builer, we more than in 1878, Morgery and offences

Banking transactions. Your Memorialists therefore humbly pray Your Excellency to give to the existing law on the subject of Sunday observance that enforcement in this Colony which is recognized in

be found practicable. And Your Memorialis's will ever pray,

China.

do., do.

SHANGHAI. (Courier.)

An advertisement on our front notifies that a seventh return of capital at the rate of two taels per share in the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company in liquidation, will be made to shareholders of record on the 8th January, payable at the offices of the liquidators on Wednesday.

We understand that a party of sportsmen have just returned from up country, bringing back no less than 700 head of game, including 5 wild boar, one of which when weighed turned the scale at 483 pounds.

On dit that the introduction of the electrie light into Shanghai, is soon likely to become an accomplished fact.

GREAT FIRE IN SHANGHAI. DESTRUCTION OF MESSES LITTLE & CO.'S PREMISES.

(Shanghai Courier.) Residents in Shanghai had but just read the details of the great fire which broke out in Hongkong on Christmas night, and were sympathising with the losses of the people startled by a calamity of a similar nature at | &c.

their own doors. The Shanghal fire is, happily, small in comparison with that at Hongkong; but had there been a high wind, such as prevailed in the latter city, the result might have been equally disastrous. A will be seen, it was a long time before the flames were got under; and the best efforts of the firemen were taxed to confine the fire to the building in which it originated.

At a few minutes to three o'clock this morning (Jan. 8rd) the alarm was rung from the Central Station, and the chies streets of the settlement were soon busy with the rushing firemen and the coolies. and resounding with the not unmusical notes of the firemen's bell as the fire apparatus was being drawn to the conflagration. From the Central fire station to the Szechuen road is but a couple of minutes' trot; but before the men and engines could get there, huge flames were darting into the air, showing at once the seat of the fire and indicating that there would be a tolerably big blaze. In the Szechuen road, little south of the Ningpo road, is a large oblong building, -the Lih-tuh Hong, - occupied by Messrs Little & Co., tea inspectors and commission merchants. The bottom part of the premises, is used as a godown; and the upper part for offices. large wooden verandah with overhanging eaves runs on the east and west sides; and this verandah-giving ingress to the upper floor rooms, -is reached by a spacious wooden staircase leading from a passage on the south opening into the street. There are godowns in the rear; but the building generally is isolated from the surrounding property. How the fire originated is not at present known; but the Europeans who that letter, in which you state it to be your were earliest on the spot state that the in ention to put a stop to all Sunday labour staircase was first ignited, and that the in Government Departments, and express flames were communicated to the verandah and caves and thence to the roof. Beneath the staircase is a watchman's box, and it is supposed that it was there that the fire with deep regret that Sunday labour is began its career. We believe the watchman steadily on the increase in this Colony; has not been seen since last night. There are several fire wells in the Ningpo road; but it was doubted whether they would afford sufficient water for extinguishing a large fire; and the steam " Deluge" was taken to the Nanking road pontoon. Here, at the very outset of the firemen's operations, a serious accident was but narrowly escaped. The tide being rather low, there was a considerable incline from the jetty to the criminal statistics of England and the pontoon. Two men were in front guiding the engine handle and a score others were holding on behind. Owing probably to the slippery nature of the place, which prevented the men behind exercising their full strength, the engine rushed down the incline, nearly precipitating one of the front men into the water ; and for a moment it seemed that the engine itself would be increase appears in the number of indictable lost in the river. Fortunately one of the fore wheels was given a slight turn and became locked with the lamp post on the edge of the pontoon. The lamp post proved sufficiently strong to resist the heavy strain Your Memorialists would further point righted. The French firemen, who are augmentation. The criminal classes, under Sunday, that day is not the day of quiet | could not be found on the southern side of Colony; that the incessant noises from the Torrent; and Mr Penfold, the Police Super-

made upon it; and the engine was soon ments to prison there was a considerable fire well in the Ningpo road. The delay 1,523, or 3 per cent., over 1876. tioned was considerable ; and it was a good provent the fire spreading to the northern sions is always higher in the summer than and | but the flames had secured too strong in the winter quartets: Of the 28,845 be basily arrested; and gradually, but mitted for trial, the remainder escaping

stirely, they crept along until the whole

low; whilst the streams falling from the crease of 230 or 7 percent.; while those com-

but those of Mr Cance, were, chiefly through steady gradual decrease. That this class of the exertions of Inspector Fowler, brought offence his either not so fashionable or out and protected. As the tide came up, more water was obtained; and the labours of the firemen were continued with better effect. About an hour after the fire the Mother country, so far as may originated, the roof began to fall and soon after the upper floor gave way; and there tents of the premises. The engines were, ing and attempts to steal manifest a the water for an indefinite period—porthowever, kept at work; and the fire was

extinguished by about nine o'clock. the fire would reach them, removed their contrasted with 1875. Offences against the of the equipment that everyone makes, even goods into the streets; and there, haddled Game Laws still maintain a high figure, the when undertaking simply a pleasure trip on up amongst their clothes and chattels, numbers being 13,521, being an increase the water, being no more inconvenience, if passed the greater part of the night. The of 206 over those for 1876. During the as much, as an umbrella or walking stickgodowns in the rear were stored with tea; year 138 murders were perpetrated, and 81 durability—constructed of tin, coated with but they escaped without injury, either attempts to murder, and in addition 832 paint, and hermetically sealed, the life-buoy from fire or water; and, thanks chiefly to cases of wounding and stabbing. In will last for years with ordinary care—and the absence of any wind, the flames did burglaries, both of private houses and lightness—as the entire apparatus does not not spread to the adjacent property. A shops, the returns show a decided increase, exceed 24 oz. in weight, it can be carried telegraph pole just outside where the fire the figures being 2,342 and 1,597, as without making any very sensible addition raged hottest was in considerable danger; compared with 2,038 and 1,469 in 1875. to one's ordinary clothing. The inventor and Mr Helland, the Agent of the Great As might be expected, offences under this suggests that as forty or lifty of these lifeand ordered up some telegraph poles to of the population, we find that murders, another amidships, and a third forward. engines and that Superintendent Penfold and Inspectors Fowler, Stripling, and Wilson were present throughout. There was a large attendance of firemen.

property belongs to Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co., the owners of the large building in the Nanking road destroyed by fire about a year ago. We are unable to state whether it was insured. Messrs. Little & of the southern Colony when they were Co. have lost a quantity of office furniture,

> THEFT OF VALUABLE CHEQUES IN JAPAN.

Although robberies are by no means infrequent in Yokohama, it is fortunately only on rare occasions that we have to disorderly was 200,184, of whom 47,567 chronicle one in connection with a bank. The notice in our advertising columns to: night (to the effect that three cheques for a | nual tale of crime, misery, and folly. Omittotal sum of \$9,750, a compradore's order ting the deaths resulting from murder and for \$176, and a draft on Mesars J. S. Mor- manulaughter, which have been previously gan & Co. of London for £110, have been noticed, we find recorded 1,636 cases of stolen) points, however, to an occurrence suicide. Of these 1,258 were men and 383 of this sort. Fortunately, nevertheless, females. Though less than last year by and it may be well to mention the fact at | 77, the total is still considerable, and sugonce, there is no probability that any real gests a fearful tale of misery and despair. loss will be sustained. The three cheques There is a large increase in the number of are drawn on the H. & S. Bank in their verdicts " Found dead;" 8,100 inquests on own favor, and the draft on London can bodies found dead in one year is a high easily be stopped by telegraph. The way percentage, and the deaths attributed to in which the robbery was carried out, was excessive drinking amounted to 457, inas follows:-The documents in question cluding 171 women, and 273 cases are rehad, on different days within the last week, turned of deaths the result of want, cold, been sent round to the bank in payment of drafts, transfers, etc. The chit books came back, apparently duly initialled by the for the protection of our lives and property, accountant, and it was not until yesterday | we have to maintain a police force of 30,016 that on enquiries being made, it was found men at an annual cost to the country of that they had never been received. The £2,902,685. We have only been able to chit-coolies contend that they had duly de- briefly notice a few of the chief points in livered them at the bank, and as one of England's Black-book, but those we have them had also paid in a large sum of money, discussed will show that there is still much there is no reason to doubt this, leaving on to be done, much crime and evil to be comone side the farther proof that the boys in | batted and eradicated before England atquestion belong to two different hongs, and | tains the position she ought to hold as the it is searcely probable that the same plan of foremest nation amongst the communities forging a signature would have been hit of the civilised world. upon by the coolies of Messrs Walsh, Hall & Co. and Mesara Reiss & Co. on the same day. The letters, on being received, should at once have been given to the person to whom they were addressed, by the boys at the bank, but it is supposed that, thinking that there were notes inside, the latter quietly pocketed them, forging Mr Haselwood's initials in the chit book. pears to be the only feasible explanation of the circumstances, and the two Japanese boys at the Bank have been arrested. No trace has been discovered of the missing documents. - Japan Herald, Dec. 21th.

ENGLAND'S BLACK-BOOK FOR 1877. (Daily Chronicle.)

The appearance of the annual return of Wales affords an opportunity for "taking stock" of the moral state of the nation. 'In the number of the criminal classes at large and known to the police, as well as in the number of houses of bad character, the returns for last year show a decrease as compared with those for the previous twelve months. On the other hand, a further offences reported by the police, and though there is shown to be a slight decrease in the number of persons awaiting trial at sessions or assizes, as well as of those summarily proceeded against, in the commit- At the upper end of the old crater-that is, out that even for those whose position or usually so promptly at a fire, were unforthed which category are included known this in the last week or so; a baby cone, about and depredators, receivers of stolen goods, 50 feet in height and perhaps 190 yards in them from the necessity of working on other cause. It appears that sufficient help and suspected persons, constitute a formid-circumference at the base, but a very noisy and repose which it ought to be in a British the Yang-king-pang to draw the steamer 5,588 or more than one-sixth, are under of smoke rosy with the flames which Harbour and the Praya, and from the intendent of the other foreign settlements, there was an addition of 688, but hurling into the air to the height of 100 numerous Euilding operations public and had to send a number of men to assist. The in those of the receivers and suspected feet or so lumps of red hot stone and lava, private that are constantly breaking the engine was then taken to the Peking road persons the decrease amounted to 791. In which, falling down on to its sides, make quiet of the day, are annoying and offen- jetty; and did good service throughout the total number the decrease is 108, them rise higher every day. The wind sive, interfering oftentimes even with Public | night. Those in charge of the "Deluge" | following a diminution of 483 in 1876 as | fortunately blew the smoke away from us, hence the claim for wages, hospital expenses, worship, and preventing your Memorialiste had further misfortunes to contend with compared with the numbers for 1875. Or otherwise we should have been almost, and passage home. In giving judgment from deriving that benefit, moral and before getting their engine to work. It Taking the figures for the last year of the if not quite sufficated where we stood principal objects of the institution of a day and two lengths of old hose which were the numbers of the criminal army is and we were enabled to enjoy the wonderadded soon burst. To replace these occupied 15,724, or nearly 27 per cent. The number ful sight, which, as a man who followed us some time. Meanwhile one of the Hongkew of indictable offences committed during the down said, one could stay all day to look engines had arrived and was stationed at a year was 50,843, showing an increase of at. accompanying the burnts of flame caused by the unfortunate incidents men- answer to these charges only 23,545 per- expected, but smothered, stifled explosions; sons were apprehended. The proportion and as I climbed up the side of the crater half hour from the sounding of the alarm of apprehensions to the number of offences co as to be able to look more into the mouth before a drop of water was thrown on the committed shows each year a steady con- of the new cone, I could see through the burning building. During this time the tinuous degreese. Whereas ten years ago smoke a struggling confusion of fismes, flames had made great progress; the they were in the tatio of 55 per cent., they which found vent in the ejection of the stuircase had been burnt; and the whole have gradually dwindled down to 46 per burning liquid. The crater walls are of the upper part of the southern end cent. Making all due allowance for the brilliant with yellow and orange-colored of the premises was on fire. Mr Cance, display of greater adroitness on the part of sulphur, mixed with basalt and red lava who occupied a room in this portion, find- the criminal classes, we cannot but think and white salts, forming a bright contrast ing his retreat by the outer steircase cut that it is a great reflection on the efficiency to the leaden-colored lava which forms the off, went to the front and descended by a of our police system that out of every 109. floor and the black cone with its crown of telegraph pole; and, having unfastened the offences committed they should in fifty smoke. The guide told us the floor had doors of another staircase, liberated Mr four instances fail to bring the perpetrators risen an extraordinary number of feet; Butler, who had also been sleeping above; to the bar of justices It is curious to but, judging from what we saw of lava

ways, as by the Courts of Justice and in all | believe, lost most of his personal effects; | against the currency continue to show a profitable as it used to be is shown by the aunually diminishing number of charges under this head. Ten years ago 1,999 gether less than 24 oz. It is hung to the persons were charged with this offence. neck by a loop of strong webbing. The Last year the number of crimes fell to 787. advantages claimed for Rodway's Patent and now they have been further reduced to | Life-Buoy are its extreme buoyancy-each decidedly expansive tendency. The total ability—the life-buoy is so compact in itself number of offences under this class was that it may be slung over the shoulder by

suicide. The assault cases in which sum- met with, and he would enjoy his bath none mary proceedings were taken before the the less by knowing that, in case of fatigue, magistrates, 94,565 in number, show the or cramp, he was perfectly safe until assissatisfactory decrease of 5,857. Compared | tance arrived: For non-swimmers, women, with 1876, the aggravated assaults on women or children; by tying the sling in a knot, or -2,687-show a diminution of 50; those twisting it by turning the cylinder over end on the peace officers, 18,828; a decrease of by end two or three times, it would be 754, and common assaults, 78,050, a brought into a fixed position, so as to secure reduction of 5,058. These constitute a class | the buoy close to the chest or neck, and of offence which a little firmness on the part of the Bench, and the certainty of a

speedy retribution, would do much to diminish. Hitherto they have been too leniently treated, and in dealing with offenders under this head leniency is a mistaken policy. The number of persons proceeded against for being drunk and

were, we regret to say, females, The coroners' returns disclose their au-

and exposure. To cope with this army of criminals, and

VISITING VESUVIUS. I started with a friend to make the

ascent. It rained until we reached the observatory, and then, fortunately, the day became delightful. It is a weary climb up, though, through the loose ashes, and one is tempted to halt and admire the view pretty often before reaching the top. When we had reached it we could see nothing for the smoke and mist that filled the big crater, while far beneath us we could hear the lava seething and frequent explosions from the new cone. We were advised at starting not to descend into the crater, but our guide assured us that we could quite safely do it, so down we scrambled on the lava. The floor of the crater has risen during the last few weeks from a considerable depth to within about twenty feet of a gap in the crater wall, looking toward the old left-hand cone of Vesuvius; and it is still rising. As we stood on the comparatively cool blocks of lava, the fresh, red-hot stream was slowly flowing out from cracks around us, moving on in a snakelike, fascinating way, and breaking out in a fresh place as soon as the flow stopped elsewhere. Every crack showed the lava red-hot a foot or so beneath us, but the guides ran about on it and we followed them, as if we were on the level Campagna. just underneath the highest point of the old cone—is the new cone, which has risen were hollow reports, not loud, as I had The efforts of the firemen were directed to observe that the proportion of apprehen. flowing, it would take a month probably to indicated, unless it should burst out any. s hold of the roof and other wood work to persons apprehended, 14,609 were com- where on the side of the mountain, present the stories that it is flowing down the outside of Vesuvius, and that Professor either for want of evidence or the failure length of the building in its upper part was of prosecutors to appear. Of the 50,843 Palmieri is building a dike to protect the in a blaze. During the height of the fire, off nees described at indistable, 3,000 were observatory, and so forth, are pure inven-

the water in the wells appeared to get very offences against the person. These shows de-Brisbans, November 19.—The Australian cricketers are expected at Auckland to-day. t reparations are being made to give them a hearty reception,

MAJOR RODWAY'S PATENT LIFE-

This life-buoy consists of an air-tight oylinder sixteen inches in length by four and a half in diameter, and weighs alto-706. On the other hand, larceny or steal- buoy is capable of supporting an adult in A number of the Chinese occupying 41,645, as compared with 39,482 in 1876, means of its sling, like an ordinary telehouses in the neighbourhood, fearing that showing an increase of 2,163, and 2,707 as scope; it can therefore very easily form part Northern Telegraph Co., telegraphed to head are more numerous during the winter buoys can be put in a small chest, three Woosung the possibility of communication than the summer quarters Contrasting such chests so furnished should be kept, one with Shanghai being temporarily severed; the proportion of offences with the number on the upper deck, one abaft the main-mast, replace any which might be destroyed. It are as 1 to 178,043; attempts to murder, 1 With this provision there would be ample ought to be stated that a few minutes after to 303,333; manslaughter, 1 to 102,803; and ready means for keeping a hundred and the alarm a number of policemen were on burglaries and breaking into shops, 1 to fifty persons affeat. To a bather using this the spot with extincteurs and manual 12,938; and out of every 28,000 1 commits life-buoy not the least impediment would be thus sinking would be impossible.

Quotations. Hongkong, January 8, 1879. OPIUM.-New Patna, cash....\$555 credit. -Old Patna, cash, ... New Benaves, cash, 528 credit. Old Benaves, cash, -New Malwa, cash, 720 Allowance Tasla, ---Old Malwa, cash, 720 oredit. Allowance Taels. Exchange. Bank, on demand, 80 days! sight, 6 months' sight, ... Credits, Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/7% a Bombay, demand Rupees, Calcutta, Shanghai, demand, ... Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., Mexicans, ... Gold Louf, 991 fine ... English Sovereigns, Australian Sovereigns, Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 58 % prem. Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,600 China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,500 Yangteze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 720 Chinese Insurance Co., \$325 North China Ins. Co., Tis. 1,250 H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$850 China Fire Ins. Co., \$190 H.K. & W. Dock Co., par. H.K. C. & M. S. boat Co., par. Shaughal Steam Navigation, Tls. 17 China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tis. 102 Hongkong Gas Co., \$85 Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65 China Sugar Refining Co., 45 Chinese Imperial Loan, £109 of 1877, £108/10.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

Honewoxe, January 8, 1879. 9 A.M.... ... BAROMETER-THERMOMETER-9 A.M.... 1 P.M 4 P.M. ... (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 4 P.M. Do. Maximum Do. Minimum over night

Shipping Intelligence. The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c. VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

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above places. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marsellles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until

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Acting Agent. Hongkong, December 31, 1878.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central. RUSSELL & Co . Agents. Hongkong, January 3, 1879.



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Steamers from Shanghal. Freight will be received on Board until 1 p.m. of the Erd February, PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office Hntil 5 p.m. came day: all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value

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> J. BRADLEE SMITH, General Agent,

- pro tem. Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

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